

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application.

Claims 1-23 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claims 24-32 are added to present claims corresponding to claims 1-9 allowed in a corresponding EPO patent for the purposes of entering the EPO-USPTO Patent Prosecution Highway. The claims are supported in the application as filed, including original claims 1-24.

Upon entry of these amendments, claims 24-32 will be pending and are presented for examination.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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